Financial Working of Electricity Departments

(Gross Operating surplus)

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	Electricity Department	Gross operating surplus
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	-33.70
2.	Goa	-27.52
3.	Manipur	-53.37
4.	Mizoram	-53.16
5.	Nagaland	-26.68
6.	Sikkim	-21.49
7.	Tripura	-67.45
	TOTAL	-283.37

SOURCE : Planning Commission's "Annual Report (2000-02) on the Working of SEBs & Electricity Departments—May 2002".

NB : Data in respect of Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh represent the figures for undivided States.

Restructuring of NTC and its subsidiary units

*395. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering the proposal for restructuring of NTC and its subsidiary (Headquarters);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the recommendations of the BIFR about the restructuring of subsidiary headquarters of NTC:

(d) whether it is also a fact that the Group of Ministers also recommended the restructuring of NTC and its subsidiary (Headquarters) without consulting the NTC Management;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the proposal submitted by NTC Management was taken into consideration; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI KASHIRAM RANA): (a) to (c) As per the rehabilitation schemes approved for the sick subsidiaries of NTC, 66 unviable mills out of the total 119 mills would be closed. Already 32 of these have been closed after giving VRS to employees therein, and the balance are expected to be closed by the current financial year. Since only 53 mills would be left under NTC, it was felt that the number of subsidiaries could be reduced. A Detailed Scheme of Arrangement for restructuring is being prepared and will be implemented after taking approval of the Competent Authority.

(d) to (g) The decision for restructing was taken after considering all view points including that of NTC management.

Fake credit cards racket

*396. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the racket in fake credit cards in our country;

(b) whether Government have assessed the difficulties faced by the genuine credit card holders in different parts of the country; and

(c) the measures Government contemplated so far or intend to contemplate to stop this menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) Certain cases of abuse of credit cards have come to the notice of the Government.

(b) and (c) The Reserve Bank of India undertook a study on credit card business of certain banks covering various aspects relating to their systems and controls on issue of credit cards and recovery of dues thereunder. The study report was circulated to banks for their views. Based on the responses received from the banks, the Reserve Bank of India have advised the banks to set up internal control systems to control